

District 2 News

Abbeville, Anderson, Edgefield, Greenwood, Laurens, McCormick, Newberry and Saluda counties

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Mower operator puts best foot forward

Alan Crumpton has served with SCDOT Newberry Maintenance since May of 1987. He has performed well on every crew in each duty assigned to him over the years.

From asphalt shoveling and patching, to mowing, to litter pickup, he has been a reliable employee with a positive attitude since his arrival with the Department.

Originally from Newberry, Crumpton has been a resident of Whitmire for many years.

A turning point in his life happened when he was around seven years old and was accidentally

run over by a riding lawnmower—resulting in him losing his right foot and three toes on his left.

Crumpton has dealt with this handicap so well, that for years we did not know of it until one morning our ARME noticed him carrying his foot to his car. All he said was, “the bolt broke!” and his leave slip was immediately approved. He was back at work in an hour.

In one of life’s ironies, he has been performing his duties very well on the Newberry mowing crew and most recently has been the District 2 runner up two years in a row in tractor-mower of the Equipment

Operators’ Safety Training Conference.

Crumpton has been a true example of overcoming obstacles in life and keeping a positive outlook; his crewmates call him “Chipper.”

As with all our employees, we are blessed and thankful to have Crumpton here in Newberry. In his spare time, he is a strong supporter of local dirt track racing and loves vacationing in the mountains.

Crumpton lives in Whitmire with his wife, Teresa; son, Cody; and daughter, Jessica.

Got news?

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Steve Coleman



Newberry mower operator Alan Crumpton has consistently been one of the best mower operators in District 2. He has never let a handicap prevent him from doing his job, and doing it well.